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NEW PSYCHOLOGY PROGRAM OFFERED AT MALASPINA

NANAIMO – A new bachelor of science, major in psychology program is being offered at Malaspina University-College, providing students with more access to quality education, Nanaimo-Parksville MLA Ron Cantelon announced today.

“Malaspina continues to offer excellent academic programs that provide students in this region with quality education close to home,” said Cantelon. “With this new degree, students now have even more options to choose from to ensure they have a solid pathway to their future careers.”

The program will provide students with the opportunity to gain experiences in basic science techniques. Students graduating from this program will be prepared to enter graduate work in psychology, the life-sciences (such as neuropsychology, neuroscience, anatomy, pharmacology, and genetics) and medicine, or apply for laboratory-based research jobs in industry.

“We are committed to providing quality education and more choice for our students,” said Advanced Education Minister Murray Coell. “This new degree is an example of providing greater access to a range of exciting career opportunities by expanding the programs offered at our public post-secondary institutions.”

The degree, developed jointly by the faculty of social sciences and the faculty of science and technology, complements Malaspina’s existing bachelor of arts in psychology.

“The new program will allow students to acquire a range of transferable skills,” said Malaspina University-College president Ralph Nilson. “Students will be trained in both psychology and the sciences, giving them the fundamentals to pursue other credentials in various life science disciplines.”

Since 2003, more than 120 undergraduate and graduate degrees have been approved. B.C. is improving its competitiveness and productivity through education and skills training, part of government’s Pacific Leadership Agenda.

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